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IDG's Macworld Announces Best of Show Awards

MACWORLD EXPO/SAN FRANCISCO—January 8, 2004, IDG's *Macworld*, the premier Macintosh magazine and Web sites, today announced the winners of the "Macworld Best of Show Awards," representing the most exciting hardware and software products announced at Macworld Conference & Expo in San Francisco. Jim Dalrymple, Editor Online for MacCentral and Macworld.com, presented the awards on the show floor today.

"Developers showed a level of imagination and integration with their products that has not been seen before," said Dalrymple. "We've seen some impressive trends that will help all Mac users get more from their digital devices."

To be eligible for Best of Show consideration, products were either making their public debut at Macworld Expo or were recently introduced and likely to generate excitement on the show floor. In addition, the editors had to see the products in action, although some evaluations were based on beta versions or prototypes.

"Macworld Best of Show Awards" represent a highly-coveted honor within the Macintosh industry and are presented exclusively at tradeshowes that feature Mac products.

The Best of Show winners for Macworld Conference & Expo San Francisco 2004 are:

Apple GarageBand (www.apple.com)

Apple's newest iLife application means anyone can make music with the help of more than 1000 prerecorded loops, dozens of MIDI-controlled software instruments, and the capability to record live instruments--all at the same time. (Booth 1317)

CRYPTOCARD CRYPTO-Server X (www.cryptocard.com)

CRYPTO-Server X is the first authentication solution specifically designed for Mac OS X Panther users. With this solution, all usernames and passwords are stored on the token and

CRYPTO-Server X generates a one-time password for every log-on attempt, making stolen credentials useless to hackers. (Booth 1747)

Elgato Systems EyeTV 200 / EyeHome (www.elgato.com)

Elgato's EyeTV 200 improves on their previous model by providing realtime MPEG-2 capturing of standard cable television as well as video from other analog sources (such as VHS). The EyeHome hooks up to your Ethernet network and brings your music, photos, and movies from the Mac to your TV, with one-click setup and a handy remote control. (Booth 2433)

Freeverse Bumper Car (www.freeverse.com)

BumperCar is a Web browser that features a fun, easy to use interface that makes it interesting and safe to use by kids. Based on Apple's Webcore technology (used in Safari) and the technology used by The Omni Group's OmniWeb browser, BumperCar sports a colorful, playful interface that lets kids surf the Web without running the risk of seeing content that's inappropriate. BumperCar relies on several methods to do so, including whitelists and Internet Content Rating Association tags. What's more, time limits can be enforced and BumperCar can also block the uploading of personal data. (Booth 4232)

Freeverse Toy Sight (www.freeverse.com)

Now iSight and FireWire-based Webcam users can become part of the game with ToySight. ToySight works in conjunction with a FireWire-based video camera or Webcam, including Apple's iSight, and puts players directly in the game as they use their on-screen image to interact with objects and control surfaces in the game. A party mode will keep you and your friends entertained for hours, too. (Booth 4232)

Kaidan PiXiMation (www.kaidan.com)

PiXiMation creates QTVR using advanced techniques to generate properly spaced and indexed image frames even if you're spinning an object by hand. In the past, special motorized turntables were required to achieve the same effect. PiXiMation accepts video from a variety of sources including Apple's iSight, Orange Micro's iBot, and many other Mac web cams and FireWire-equipped DV cameras. (Booth 1034)

LaCie Bigger Disk (www.lacie.com)

The LaCie Bigger Disk offers users 1 terabyte of storage space in a 5.25-inch form factor and can be connected to any computer equipped with FireWire 800, FireWire 400, iLink/DV, Hi-Speed USB 2.0 or USB 1.1. The Bigger Disk allows users to store nearly two years of continuous music and up to one month of non-stop MPEG-2 video. (Booth 1927)

Slim Devices Squeezebox (www.slimdevices.com)

This sequel to the SlIMP3 music server delivers wired or wireless streaming of most audio formats or MP3 Internet radio from your Mac to your home stereo. It provides both analog and digital outputs, and you can install multiple players around the house for individual or synchronized play. (Booth 4027)

Camdynamics lens&light optimizer (www.camdynamics.de)

The lens&light optimizer offers users a way to correct imperfections in their images in this software-based optimizer. After loading an image you choose the manufacturer, the lens used,

focal length, aperture, and other options and then set the lightness and distortion correctness for the final image.

Roxio Toast with Jam (www.roxio.com)

The high-level audio portion of Roxio's tag team adds an improved interface, better crossfading options, and burning integrated into Jam itself (rather than sending files to Toast). It also includes 2-channel Dolby Digital software for encoding and decoding, as well as Bias Peak Express audio editing software. (Booth 2339)

Rogue Amoeba NiceCast (www.rogueamoeba.com)

NiceCast provides simple broadcast and streaming of any audio in OS X. You can use it to set up an Internet radio station, or simply stream your iTunes library over the Internet so you can listen to your music from anywhere in the world. It also provides several audio effects, and supports both VST and AudioUnit plug-in formats. (Booth 2513)

Software Mackiev Kid Pix Deluxe 3 for OS X (www.mackiev.com)

Software Mackiev has more than just created an OS X version Kid Pix, the beloved but recently neglected kid's creativity software—they've rebuilt it from the ground up. The new version offers smoother graphics, updated animations, a better interface, and seamless integration with Apple's iLife programs. Kids can quickly import photos and songs, add drawings, animations, or text, and then export finished animation sequences to an iMovie project. (Booth 3735)

WiebeTech G5 Jam (www.wiebetech.com)

Targeted Power Mac G5 owners, the G5Jam allows users to increase their computers' internal storage to four drives and even RAID their set-up with Mac OS X's Soft RAID utility. The resulting performance exceeds 200MB per second. (Booth 1647)

You Software You Control 1.0 (www.yousoftware.com)

This menu utility makes it easy to reach buried files quickly, but it's far more than an alias maker. From anywhere on your Mac, the eleven menu modules let you control iTunes (from viewing track information to pausing a song), customize contact and calendar information, beef up OS X's Menu Bar Clock, access recent programs and files from any menu, track stocks and weather across the United States, and keep up on news headlines. The pasteboard module lets you copy multiple items that don't write over each other and paste them as RTF or unformatted text. You can place You Control menus in the main Menu Bar or a corner of your screen. You can also call up menus with hot keys.

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